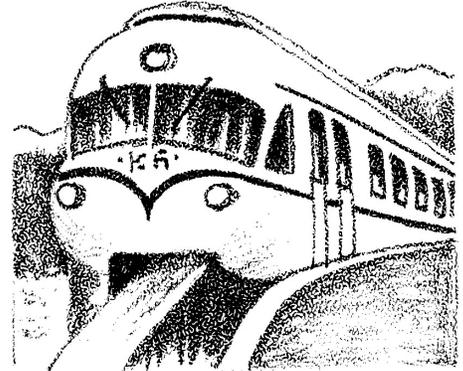


# LIFE IN JAPAN

## Contest Rules

1. Each person in class will try to unscramble the key words in the following sentences. Write the unscrambled words in the spaces provided.
2. Class members with the most correct answers will be the winners of the contest.
3. Start reading the sentences now.



## **Transportation and Communication**

- (1) The most common means of travel in Japan is by RINAT \_\_\_\_\_.
- (2) A rail network connects all important cities on Japan's four main SANLIDS \_\_\_\_\_.
- (3) A large number of DOARS \_\_\_\_\_ in outlying areas are unpaved.
- (4) Although many Japanese families own cars, people often travel by UBS \_\_\_\_\_.
- (5) No other Asian country has as many RASC \_\_\_\_\_.
- (6) Japan has the second largest TLEEF \_\_\_\_\_ of ships in the world.
- (7) EPONTESHEL \_\_\_\_\_ are common in most cities and towns.
- (8) Most families own television sets and RIDSAO \_\_\_\_\_.
- (9) Television programs include American movies and ACROTON \_\_\_\_\_ shows, Japanese movies, educational programs, and sports telecasts.
- (10) There are over one hundred daily WANESPPRES \_\_\_\_\_.

## **Way of Life**

- (11) The Japanese try to combine the best of Japanese and Western ways in the foods they eat, books they read, and GITLCOHN \_\_\_\_\_ styles they wear.
- (12) Japanese people are extremely courteous and show great respect for their elders and superiors. They are especially polite to NASTRGERS \_\_\_\_\_.
- (13) People meeting for the first time might exchange EMAN ACDRS \_\_\_\_\_.
- (14) EOWMN \_\_\_\_\_ play an active role in political and social organizations.
- (15) Women have equal SGIRHT \_\_\_\_\_ guaranteed to them by the Constitution.
- (16) GNADTI \_\_\_\_\_ before the age of 18 is uncommon.
- (17) Most young people choose their own mates, although some marriages are still arranged by TAPRENS \_\_\_\_\_.
- (18) Japanese enjoy the natural beauty of gardens, OLFWSER \_\_\_\_\_, and trees.
- (19) School children usually have plenty of EWMHOOKR \_\_\_\_\_, even during summer vacation.

- (20) The Japanese wash before entering a BABUTTH \_\_\_\_\_ because water in the tub is used for relaxation only.
- (21) Public bathhouses are common throughout PAJNA \_\_\_\_\_.

### **Food, Shelter, and Clothing**

- (22) CEIR \_\_\_\_\_ is the main food in the diet.
- (23) FSIH \_\_\_\_\_, much of it raw, is a popular food.
- (24) People in the cities eat DIYAR \_\_\_\_\_ products, meats, and vegetables.
- (25) Formal meals are served on trays, with each food served separately in small LBWOS \_\_\_\_\_.
- (26) When Japanese-style meals are served, food is usually eaten with PSCTIHSOKC \_\_\_\_\_.
- (27) Apartment living is common in the ECTSII \_\_\_\_\_.
- (28) Rural homes are small, one-story structures with one to four OROSM \_\_\_\_\_.
- (29) Sliding APPRE \_\_\_\_\_ screen doors separate one room from another.
- (30) Straw mats cover the floors in traditional Japanese rooms. The people sit on cushions and sleep on quilts spread out on the RLOOF \_\_\_\_\_.
- (31) People remove their SESHO \_\_\_\_\_ before entering a house so they do not soil the mats.
- (32) Newer homes have rooms decorated with Western-style furniture and PCARETS \_\_\_\_\_.
- (33) Most people like to wear Western-style OLCHTSE \_\_\_\_\_.
- (34) A “kimono,” a long robe made of cotton or silk, is sometimes worn by Japanese women. Dressy kimonos are kept for special occasions, while less expensive IMKNOSO \_\_\_\_\_ are worn around the house.

### **Education**

- (35) Students are required to attend elementary school for six years and junior high school for three years. Students must pass a SETT \_\_\_\_\_ before they may enter high school.
- (36) There are several hundred SOCEGLLE \_\_\_\_\_ and universities in Japan.
- (37) The CYREILTA \_\_\_\_\_ rate is 100%.

### **Recreation**

- (38) TIVAOCAN \_\_\_\_\_ trips to different parts of the country are a favorite activity.
- (39) Japan has many national and state ASPRK \_\_\_\_\_.
- (40) Baseball is the most popular sport. Two forms of wrestling — “judo” and “sumo” — are also popular. Other STROPS \_\_\_\_\_ that people enjoy are soccer, football, and swimming.

## Government

- (41) Japan's government is divided into THREE \_\_\_\_\_ branches — executive, legislative, and judicial.
- (42) The LWAAKMING \_\_\_\_\_ body is called the "Diet."
- (43) The EIDT \_\_\_\_\_ chooses the prime minister — the head of the executive branch — from among its members.
- (44) The MERPI \_\_\_\_\_ minister chooses a group of advisers known as the "Cabinet."
- (45) The judicial branch is made up of the Supreme Court, regional high courts, district courts, and many lower CUTORS \_\_\_\_\_.
- (46) Citizens 20 years of age or older may OEVT \_\_\_\_\_.
- (47) A constitution guarantees such rights as freedom of speech, press, assembly, and RGOLEIIN \_\_\_\_\_.

## People

- (48) Most of the people have yellowish skin, dark eyes, prominent cheekbones, and straight BCLAK \_\_\_\_\_ hair.
- (49) The Japanese are generally HOSRT \_\_\_\_\_ and stocky.
- (50) The younger generation of Japanese is considerably RELLAT \_\_\_\_\_ than earlier generations because of recent improvements in the diet.

## Religion

- (51) The major religions are Shintoism, Buddhism, Taoism, and Christianity. More than 80,000 Shinto shrines and temples, and nearly as many BDIDHSUT \_\_\_\_\_ shrines and temples, are found in Japan.
- (52) Confucianism has had a strong effect on Japanese moral teachings, including politeness to others, SPETERC \_\_\_\_\_ for older people, and close family relationships.

## Economy

- (53) The basic unit of money is the NEY \_\_\_\_\_.
- (54) Japan's economy is based on AMNFUAUTCRNGI \_\_\_\_\_.
- (55) Japan is the most industrialized nation in SIAA \_\_\_\_\_, and is one of the world's busiest manufacturing countries.
- (56) Factories make steel, locomotives, railroad cars, ships, chemicals, electronic equipment, textiles, cameras, tools, silk, paper, OBIUTLEAMOS \_\_\_\_\_, and a variety of other products.
- (57) One of the reasons why the economy is based on manufacturing is that only about 15% of the land can be farmed. Much of the country is covered by hills and mountains. Step-like terraces have been carved into the slopes of some hillsides so that crops can be grown on LELEV NLAD \_\_\_\_\_.
- (58) Most farmers use machinery, chemical ERFEIZRTILS \_\_\_\_\_, and other modern farming methods.

- (59) Because its natural resources are limited, Japan must import food and raw materials. It pays for them by XOTINRPEG \_\_\_\_\_ manufactured products.
- (60) More goods are sold to the United States than to any other country. Products include automobiles, iron and steel, radios, television sets, textiles, and CMOCYTORLES \_\_\_\_\_.
- (61) Japanese industries have efficient plant managers and a large number of SLKILDE \_\_\_\_\_ workers.

### **Recent History**

- (62) After a bitter struggle against each other during World War II, a close friendship eventually developed between Japan and the DIUNTE TSATES \_\_\_\_\_.
- (63) In 1956, Japan became a member of the UNEDTI TNAIOSN \_\_\_\_\_.
- (64) In the 1950s, Japan began a long period of great ECNOMOCI \_\_\_\_\_ growth, making it the most prosperous country in Asia.

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### Multiple-Choice

- (1) \_\_\_\_\_ The people of Japan: (a) are known for their politeness (b) belong to the Caucasian race (c) have little interest in sports
- (2) \_\_\_\_\_ The main food in the diet is: (a) rice (b) wheat (c) corn
- (3) \_\_\_\_\_ Japan produces a variety of: (a) minerals (b) natural resources (c) manufactured goods
- (4) \_\_\_\_\_ The lawmaking body is called the: (a) Parliament (b) Congress (c) Diet
- (5) \_\_\_\_\_ Japan's government is a: (a) monarchy (b) dictatorship (c) democracy

### Completion

- (6) \_\_\_\_\_ What is often used by the Japanese to raise food to their mouths?
- (7) \_\_\_\_\_ What name is given to the long robes sometimes worn by Japanese women?
- (8) \_\_\_\_\_ What term is used to describe the percentage of people in a country who can read and write?
- (9) \_\_\_\_\_ Which sport enjoys the greatest popularity in Japan?
- (10) \_\_\_\_\_ What is the name of a Japanese form of wrestling?
- (11) \_\_\_\_\_ The government of Japan has how many branches?
- (12) \_\_\_\_\_ The leader of the Japanese government has what title?
- (13) \_\_\_\_\_ How old must a person be in order to vote?
- (14) \_\_\_\_\_ What means of transportation is most often used by the people?
- (15) \_\_\_\_\_ What is the name of the country's highest court?

### True/False

- (16) \_\_\_\_\_ Most Japanese families own radios and television sets.
- (17) \_\_\_\_\_ Men have more rights than women in Japan.
- (18) \_\_\_\_\_ Most marriages are arranged by the parents.
- (19) \_\_\_\_\_ School children are rarely given homework.
- (20) \_\_\_\_\_ Traditional meals are served on plates that have been warmed in an oven.
- (21) \_\_\_\_\_ It is common for people to sit or sleep on the floor.
- (22) \_\_\_\_\_ All Japanese children receive a high school education.
- (23) \_\_\_\_\_ Most of the people have dark eyes, prominent cheekbones, and straight black hair.
- (24) \_\_\_\_\_ Some Western ways have become a part of Japanese culture.
- (25) \_\_\_\_\_ The people have a great appreciation for the natural beauty in flowers, gardens, and trees.